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hundreds of miles away and several states away by somebody who has no idea what community you are even talking about when a decision is being made. The dynamic of a community changes when the corporate decision-making process is at a national level, at a different state, at a different community. And as that occurs, we have so little discussion, yet we have so much discussion about the governmental decision-making process not being so national, not being so federal, returning it to the local level. And I think there will be a response by the public in time against the sort of change that is taking away from the community focus of different entities, banking being one of the key ones, and becomes a focus that is so much bigger than that, and so less in tune with the needs of local individuals. So I rise to protest that we have to pass this bill, but rise in support of it because we have no choice, but I do hope we think about changes and the evolution of change that has occurred. And I, for one, do not think that it will long term benefit communities, although long term it may be of value to the country as we compete on an international basis. But that gain suffers some loss, and we need to not ignore it but, in fact, acknowledge it. So I do rise in support of the bill with some reluctance. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Wesely. There are no other lights on, Senator Landis, did you wish to close on LB 351? Closing is waived. The issue before the body is the advancement to E & R Initial of LB 351. We are voting on the advancement of LB 351 to E & R Initial. If you care to vote, please do so. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 351.

SENATOR COORDSEN: LB 351 is advanced to E & R Initial. Items for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Natural Resources reports LR 50 back to the floor for the Legislature for further consideration. Agriculture Committee reports LB 11 to General File, and LB 649 to General File. Those reports signed by Senator Dierks. Enrollment and Review reports LB 10A, LB 113A, LB 118A, LB 254, LB 185, and LB 52 to Select File, some having